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**MESSAGE:**

AUTOMATIC EXCHANGE OF DEGRADERS IN  
ACCELERATED TESTING OF COMPUTER CHIPS  
Application No. 10/734,694  
Examiner Vazquez, Arleen M.  
Art Unit 2829

Amendment Transmittal  
Petition and Fee for Extension of Time  
Amendment

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of : Bohnenkamp et al.  
Serial No. : 10/734,694 Examiner : Vazquez, Arleen M.  
Filed : December 12, 2003 Group Art Unit : 2829  
For : AUTOMATIC EXCHANGE OF DEGRADERS IN ACCELERATED  
TESTING OF COMPUTER CHIPS

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

1.  Applicant requests an extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action. A Petition for an extension of time is enclosed.

OR

2.  In the event that an extension of time is required, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

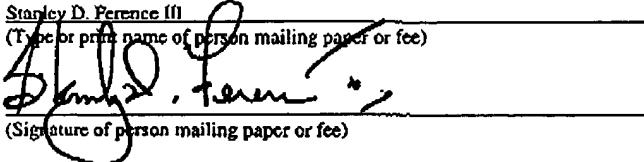
3.  Small Entity status of this application has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

4.  A verified statement to establish Small Entity status is enclosed.

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8(a)

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being facsimile transmitted on (571) 273-8300 on August 11, 2006, to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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5.  Also enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

6.  No additional filing fee is required.

7.  The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Claims Remaining After Amendment (Col. 1)	Highest No. Prev. paid for (Col. 2)	Present Extra (Col. 3)	SMALL ENTITY			OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY		
			RATE	Fee		RATE	Fee	
Total Claims	19	** 23	= * 0	x \$25	=	O x \$50	= 0	
Ind. Claims	3	*** 3	= * 0	x \$100	=	O x \$200	= 0	
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				<u>TOTAL</u>	= \$	O <u>TOTAL</u>	= \$0	R

\* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.  
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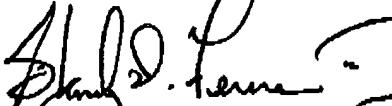
8.  Applicant encloses herewith a check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the filing fee.

9.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$\_\_\_\_\_ filing fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0510.

10.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0510.

Respectfully submitted,

ERENCE & ASSOCIATES

By   
Stanley D. Ference III  
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Dated: August 11, 2006

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